ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

August 4, 2000

U.S. Republic Communications, Inc. and Alliance Group Services, Inc.

Joint Application for approval of the sale of certain assets of U.S. Republic Communications, Inc. to Alliance Group Services, Inc.

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Application filed August 4, 2000, in the above matter.

Sincerely,

Donna M. Caton Chief Clerk

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